

(Milwaukee, Wis.)— This morning, U.S. Congresswoman Gwen Moore (D-Milwaukee) and U.S. Trade Representative Ron Kirk met with Wisconsin's major exporters to discuss barriers to increasing exports.

Congresswoman Moore said, **"It's easy math. If we increase exports, we increase jobs."**

Last year, Wisconsin exported \$16.7 billion worth of goods, and nearly 200,000 jobs throughout the state rely on exports.

Representatives from the World Trade Center of Wisconsin and major exporters in Wisconsin including Harley-Davidson, Johnson Controls, Oshkosh Corporation attended the meeting held at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee.

Ambassador Kirk discussed the Obama Administration's goal to double U.S. exports. Moore held the meeting to foster a conversation between the companies and the Trade Representative on what is working well and what can be done better.

Moore continued, **"The economic benefit to our state is huge if we increase our exports. Today's meeting is a step to do just that."**

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